

**GH TYRES AND AUTO SERVICES:** 40a Glenavy Road, Crumlin. Punctures repairs, Wheel Balancing, Wheel Alignment, Batteries, General Service and repairs Tel: 0289 4423 113.

**ST CLARE'S HALL** is temporarily closed for renovations.

**WEEKLY WALKS IN GLENNAVY TUESDAYS** - 6.30pm - Glenavy GAC, **WEDNESDAYS** - 12 noon - St. Clare's Community Hall, Glenavy, **SATURDAYS** - 9am - St. Clare's Community Hall, Glenavy. More walks starting soon. To register, go to: [walkingforall.com](http://walkingforall.com)

**GLENCLARE COMMUNITY GROUP ARE NOW HIRING A CARETAKER/ GROUNDS PERSON** for St. Clare's Community Hall, Glenavy. The hours worked should be flexible, consistent with the day-to-day use of the hall & should, on average, be approximately 10 hours per week. For details see St. Clare's Hall Facebook Page & Instagram or Tel 075117779334 or email [stclareshallbookings@hotmail.com](mailto:stclareshallbookings@hotmail.com)

**GIVE BLOOD SAVE LIVES** Book now for the Blood donation session on Thursday 6 August between 12.30 & 19.30 at Crumlin Leisure Centre. [www.nibts.org](http://www.nibts.org) Tel: 028 9053 4713 / 07823 391 620

**ST. JOSEPH'S GAC:** Lotto results 23 July 2026 Winning no's 10-14-17-21 Jackpot £7,250 No Jackpot Winner. 2 Lucky dip Winners, £25 each – Leslie Breadon – Gerry O'Neill. Next week's jackpot is worth £7,300. The members of St. Joseph's GAC thank you for your support.

**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL—CRUMLIN CONFERENCE (ST JAMES)** Emergency helpline 07754427088. Donations can be made via the Crumlin SVP conference bank account. Account number 41965035, sort code 980460. **ST JOSEPH'S GLENNAVY CONFERENCE** SVPD Emergency helpline 07784955647. Donation can be made to our bank account, Sort Code 98-04-60. Account Number 41966009. Your support is very much appreciated as we support those most vulnerable in your local community.

**24 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS** on the Feast of St John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests, 3 – 4 August. The Parish of St Colmcille, 191a Upper Newtownards Rd, Belfast invites you to 24 hours of prayer beginning with Mass at 7pm on Monday 3 August & concluding with Mass at 7pm on Tuesday 4 August. If you can spare an hour please join us, all are welcome. Please email Fr Conor - [c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org](mailto:c.mcgrath@downandconnor.org)

**ST PETER'S CATHEDRAL JOIN US FOR THE INAUGURAL FÉILE TOURS** of St Peter's Cathedral, led by Stevie Corr, as we celebrate its 160th anniversary! This special guided tour offers a unique opportunity to explore areas of the Cathedral that are rich in history and significance. Dates are Mon 3, Tues 4, Wed 5 & Thurs 6 August at 3pm each day. Tickets: £5 per person, payable at the entrance (please bring the exact amount).

## Parish Bingo

in St Clare's Community Hall  
EVERY THURSDAY AT 8.00PM SHARP-9.30PM APPROX.  
JACKPOT £1,000 IN 51 NUMBERS



## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 August 2026

**Very Rev Canon Colm McBride PP:** St Joseph's Presbytery, 59 Chapel Road, Glenavy, BT29 4LY Tel: 94 422278 (If unavailable and in an emergency only, contact Fr Declan Mulligan P.P. Aghagallon 92 651214)  
**Parish Office at St Joseph's Glenavy:** Monday- Friday 10am -3pm  
Parish Support Officer: Joan McShane Tel: 94 422278  
Email: [glenavy@downandconnor.org](mailto:glenavy@downandconnor.org)  
Parish Website: [glenavyandkilleadparish.com](http://glenavyandkilleadparish.com)  
[www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish](https://www.facebook.com/glenavyandkilleadparish)  
**A member of Lisburn Pastoral Community**

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of Feeding the needy Pope Francis remarked:

We find Jesus' wounds in carrying out works of mercy caring for the body of your wounded brother, because he is hungry because he is thirsty because he is naked, because he is humiliated, because he is a slave, because he is in jail, because he is in the hospital. Those are the wounds of Jesus today. And Jesus asks us to take a leap of faith, towards him, but through his wounds in his people today We need to touch the wounds of Jesus, we must caress the wounds of Jesus, we need to bind the wounds of Jesus with tenderness, and we have to kiss the wounds of Jesus, and this literally. Just think of what happened to St Francis, when he embraced the leper. (May 2016)

This is what is behind Jesus' wish to feed the hungry. He feeds bread for physical hunger, but the story of the gospel today is more than bread for hungry people. It is getting fully involved in the lives of those in need. It is the calling of the church: to practise the works of mercy.

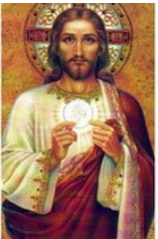
Any Christian group, parish or otherwise, tries to reach out to those most in need in their area. Today the hungry need to be fed, refugees and homeless need a home, and those wounded by life need healing. The call of the church is truly to be 'the field hospital' of Jesus and his disciples in the world.



*Give us today, O Lord, and to all our world, our daily bread.*

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### 3—9 August 2026 Mass Intentions

|       | <u>ST JOSEPH'S</u>                                                            | <u>MATER DEI</u>                                                                                    | St James<br>Monday<br>Adoration<br>7pm—8pm                                                                                                                               |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon   | 9.30am Communion Service                                                      |                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Tue   |                                                                               | 7pm Sheena McCullagh (1st)<br>6.30pm Rosary<br>7.30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet<br>7.30—8.30pm Adoration |                                                                                        |
| Wed   |                                                                               | 9.30am In Honour of Our Lady of The Snows<br>Special Intention<br>No Adoration in July or August    |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Thurs | 9.30am P.I.<br>Adoration 7pm—9pm                                              |                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Fri   | 9.30am In Honour of Our Lady of The Angels<br>6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation |                                                                                                     | Feumore Mass Centre<br>Sun Adoration<br>6.30pm—7.30pm<br>Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chaplet for Holy Souls & Rosary afterwards starts at 6.15pm<br>Mon Adoration<br>11am—12pm |
| Sat   |                                                                               | 6pm Helen Flynn (1st)                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Sun   | 9.30am P.P.<br>12.00pm Anne Cecilia Maguire (Anniv)<br>Jim Hughes (Anniv)     | 10.45am Gerry Close (1st Anniv)                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                          |

**Recently Deceased:** Margaret Campbell (*Derryola Island Lane*), Katie Mulholland (*Aghnadarragh Road*)

**Months Mind** Sinnead McKeag

**Anniversaries** Sheena McCullagh (1st), Gerry Close (1st), John Larkin (1st), Sean Murphy, Willie McLornan, Dorothea Doone, Gertie Hickland, Patrick McGarrell, Mary McConnell, Sadie Scarff (nee White), Eileen & James Nelson, Maureen Rea, Sean Sinclair, George & Mary Alice Grant, Máire Magee, David Lenaghan, William McCombAnne & William Hendron, Elizabeth Hendron.

**Baptisms** We welcome to God's Family Rían Daniel Brownlee, Oisín Patrick Carlin, Ruán Emmet Hannan, Aobheann Holly Moore.

**Sanctuary lamp intentions:** Arbuckle Family, Special Intention

**Adoration** No Adoration in Mater Dei on Wednesday mornings in July and August.

**A BLESSED STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA** is available through The Legion of Mary to any sick parishioner for one week. If you would like to avail of the statue, please contact the parish office.

#### Collection 26 July 2026

**Weekly Offering:** £3,033

**Thank you for your generosity**

#### Parish Draw 2026-27 (Week 13)

Winner £50 Olwyn Cambridge (Glenavy)

Winner £100 Glenavy Apostolic Work

**Congratulations to our winners!**

### SAVE THE DATE! FOLLOWING CHRIST

Monday Evenings from 7 September - 17 October 2026, 7-9pm in Mater Dei Pastoral Centre. Following Christ is a 7-week journey of Catholic discipleship. It is designed for those interested in learning about the Catholic Faith or those seeking to deepen or revitalize their faith. It offers practical ways in which to live out the Christian life - to think like, act like and to love like Jesus Christ. Register your interest now by leaving your name and contact details in the parish office, email [glenavy@downandconnor.org](mailto:glenavy@downandconnor.org) or Tel. 02894422278

### Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Saturday 15 August 2026

There will be a procession to the Grotto after 9.30am Mass in St Joseph's, during which the Rosary will be recited. Children who made their First Holy Communion this year would be very welcome to come in their First Holy Communion or other attire. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

**THE GLENNAVY BRANCH OF THE APOSTOLIC WORK** are organising a one-day Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Sunday 16 August 2026. The bus will leave St Joseph's church, Glenavy at 7.45am and will return that evening at approx. 8pm. Cost £35 per person. If you would like to book a seat or would like more information, please contact 07764 797963 or 07752 879591.

**COFFEE IN THE COURTYARD** during the summer months after 10.45am Mass in Mater Dei, weather permitting. Volunteers are needed. If you can help, please contact the Parish office.

**BISHOP ALAN** will be celebrating Mass in Irish as part of the Fleadh on Sunday August 9 at 11am in St Patrick's Church, Donegall Street.

### ST AGNES CHURCH 24 HOURS OF ADORATION ON THE FEAST OF OUR LADY'S ASSUMPTION

To honour the Feast of Our Lady's Assumption the Legion of Mary are organising 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration in St Agnes Church. Adoration will begin after the 7pm Mass on Friday 14 August and ending before 6.30 vigil Mass on 15 August. St Theresa of Calcutta described time spent with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament as the "best time you will spend on earth". Please come along and give thanks to Our Lady and her Son Jesus.

**Making your offering to the church** Parishioners are encouraged to make donations to the parish either by using the parish envelopes or by means of bank transfer. It is of great benefit to the parish when we can record donations so that gift aid can be claimed, if applicable. If you would like to donate using envelopes and don't already do so, please contact the parish office. Alternatively, if you are able, you are encouraged to make a monthly offering to the Church by means of a **Bank Transfer to: Parish of Glenavy and Killead Sort Code 98 04 60, Account 10654677**. The relevant forms are available at the back of the Churches. Both forms need to be completed with one sent to your Bank and the other to the parish office. If you have any queries, please contact the Parish Support Officer in confidence. Please note that there is a separate account number for the Parish Draw and this should not be used when making a weekly donation.

**Liturgical 'Sign of Peace'** The Sign of Peace remains an integral part of the celebration of the Eucharist and has been reintroduced as a normal practice across the Diocese. The customary expression of the Sign of Peace in Ireland is a handshake. However, other non-contact forms of the sign of peace such as a nod, a bow or a smile are also legitimate expressions of the Sign of Peace. No offence should be taken if someone prefers to express a non-contact Sign of Peace. The Diocese encourages all to continue to exercise good hygienic practices, and if you exhibit flu-like symptoms, you are encouraged to remain at home.

**Sanctuary lamp intentions:** A Sanctuary Lamp burns for a week in each of our two churches. If you would like to dedicate a lamp for a loved one or a special Intention please contact the Parish Office. There is a suggested offering of £5

**DEACONS** Those who are discerning a vocation to the permanent diaconate are encouraged to make contact with the Diocesan Director, Rev Brett Lockhart for the Permanent Diaconate, b.lockhart@downandconnor.org.

**Church Webcam** The church webcam for live stream of Masses can be accessed via the Parish Website [www.glenavyandkilleadparish.com](http://www.glenavyandkilleadparish.com) Go to the top line and click on webcams and pick either *Mater Dei* or *Glenavy*. It can also be accessed at [www.churchmedia.tv](http://www.churchmedia.tv). Select *Antrim* & search for *St Joseph's, Glenavy or Mater Dei, Crumlin* and the churches will appear. Click on the play button to view live stream. The webcams enable us to attend Mass, however they do not allow us to receive the Eucharist, The Body of Christ. When possible, we should attend Mass in the Church whenever our circumstances permit in order to receive Holy Communion.

**MUSIC AT ST JOSEPH'S** There is an urgent need to recruit an organist or guitarist or pianist, if you or someone you know would be interested in this position please contact Canon McBride as soon as possible.

**CCTV CAMERA'S** Please be aware that St Joseph's Church and graveyard and Mater Dei Church and grounds are monitored by CCTV.